Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., April 3, 1890,189 .

O. C. Bosbyshell, Esg.,

Supt. U. S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

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